Code of conduct for Civil servants

3559. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any code of conduct or conduct rules which have to be strictly observed by members of the All India Services like the IAS, IRS etc. in soliciting funds or advertisements, etc. from MPs and others;

(b) to what extent have these conduct rules to be amended to remove all ambiguities;

(c) whether it is a fact that such solications for funds from MPs and others leads to "un-officer like" conduct; and

(d) the steps proposed-to change existing law conditions, etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATIN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCESAND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) to (d) The respective Conduct Rules of the All India Services and the Central Civil Services envisage that no Government servant shall, except with the previous sanction of the Government or of such authority as may be empowered by it in this behalf ask for, or accept, contributions to or otherwise associate himself with the raising of any fund or other collections in cash or in kind in pursuance of any object whatsoever. Previous sanction is granted or refused on merits in the light of the rules/ instructions. The officer is required to discontinue taking part in such activities if sc directed by the Government. There is no proposal to amend the existing rules.

Pensions from NGOs

3560. SHRI SITARAM YECHURY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that working Government servants are receiving pension from various International Non-Governmental Organizations; and

(b) if so, the number of such working servants and the posts they are holding in Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRiEVANCESAND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI):